

MAINE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®
LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM

- REALTOR® LEGAL HELPLINE POLICY -

The REALTOR® LEGAL HELPLINE is a liability risk reduction service for Association members. Through the helpline, REALTORS® are able to obtain guidance on real estate practice and business-related matters.

All State Association legal services, including the REALTOR® HELPLINE, are provided by Hannah McMullen, the Association's designated and named Legal Counsel.

There is no charge for using the REALTOR® LEGAL HELPLINE provided the following terms and conditions are met:

1. All HELPLINE calls must be directed through the MAR Office unless otherwise instructed by the Chief Executive Officer or by Counsel McMullen. HELPLINE NUMBER: 207-622-7501
2. REALTORS® must provide the following information when they place their calls into Counsel's voice mailbox at the MAR Office. Voice Mail is to allow you to leave a complete message for our attorney.
 - a. name
 - b. company/agency name
 - c. telephone number where caller can be reached
 - d. brief statement describing the nature of the call (i.e., question, problem, information needed)
3. Counsel will return HELPLINE calls after legal research is conducted and usually within 2 business days. Counsel McMullen personally responds to HELPLINE calls. During an extended absence, the HELPLINE service is suspended until Counsel returns.
4. Counsel is authorized to respond only to questions and requests which are relevant to broad-based business practices and applications (i.e., interpretation and applications of the Code of Ethics; MAR's standard forms, interpretation and applications of state and federal real estate laws and regulations; general business policies and practices).
5. Counsel is not authorized to respond to questions and requests which involve personal or unique business and/or company and corporate matters or and/or other communications executed on behalf of an individual member or agency.

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